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In Re the Application of: ) Group Art Unit:  
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GODDARD et al. ) Examiner:  
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Serial No.: 90/646,599 ) PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
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Filed: September 16, 2000 )  
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)  
For: "COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING )  
LYSOPHOSPHOTIDIC ACIDS )  
WHICH INHIBIT APOPTOSIS AND )  
USES THEREOF" )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the initial review of the above-identified patent application by the Examiner, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment. Fees for this Preliminary Amendment are calculated and included with the Transmittal Letter accompanying this Amendment. Please charge any underpayment or debit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ In Claim 8, line 3, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor. ✓

✓ In Claim 9, line 1, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor. ✓

✓ In Claim 28, line 1, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

✓ In Claim 29, line 1, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor. ✓